



Age Eligibility

16U Tournament Team	Age 13 - 16 as of 1/1/21 (born 2004 - 2007)
14U Tournament Team	Age 13 - 14 as of 1/1/21 (born 2006 - 2007)
14U Travel Team	Age 13 - 14 as of 1/1/21 (born 2006 - 2007)
12U Travel Team	Age 11 - 12 as of 1/1/21 (born 2008 - 2009)
10U Travel Team	Age 9 - 10 as of 1/1/21 (born 2010 - 2011)
8U Travel Team	Age 7 - 8 as of 1/1/21 (born 2012 - 20013)

Wilton Softball Offerings

	Recreational Team	Travel Team	Tournament Team
Program Emphasis	Fun, Friends, Skills	Fun, Skills, Performance	Fun, Performance, Expectations
Season of Play	Practices and games run from April through the end of school. An All Star team is usually assembled at end of season to compete in Districts, which could extend the season for some players.	Workouts begin in winter (mid-week hitting clinics at IST beginning in January, and Sunday Indoor workouts starting in March). Practices and games run from April through July. * travel players are also expected to play rec softball	The season will begin in Fall 2020 with a light, local schedule. Winter programming will include mid-week hitting clinics at IST beginning in January and Sunday indoor workouts. Summer programming is described further below.
Number of games and practices	Typically one practice per week (weeknight) and one game per week (Saturday). Occasional double-headers. Try for at least 12 games per season. Optional positional clinics are usually offered throughout the season.	4 + days per week on the ball field (games and/or practices). Usually about 20-30 games in the season, including approx. 3-4 tournaments, some local, some away (i.e. full weekends).	Team will play tournaments <u>almost every</u> weekend in June/July (after HS season) and into August. The tournaments will be with more competitive teams, and will be a combination of local and away, which may require hotel stays. An occasional weekday local game may also be played during the Summer season, and there will be approx. 2-3 practices per week in season.
Expected Attendance	Can accommodate vacation time.	Can accommodate limited vacation time.	Minimal vacation accommodation.
Game Distance	Games are held in town and in neighboring towns.	Games are held in town and in other towns, usually within Fairfield and New Haven counties. One or two tournaments might require travel or overnight stays.	Games might be held during the week at home or in neighboring towns, but most games are played in weekend tournaments, some requiring overnight stays.
Team Selection	No tryouts, placement evaluations. Select few selected for Districts.	Selective (tryouts required)	Highly selective (tryouts required)
Coach Experience	Volunteer (parent) coaches	Paid pro coach and parent assistants.	One or two paid pro coaches
Player Position Opportunity	Players rotate to different positions. Bat with continuous batting order to ensure equal number of at-bats.	Players usually developed / limited to one or two positions.	Players usually developed / limited to one or two positions.
Cost	Approx. \$200-\$300	Approx. \$1000 - \$2000	Approx. \$2500-\$3500